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1)	Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20	May 2009						
-	Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>20 May 2009</u> .  This action is <b>FINAL</b> . 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.							
3)□	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is							
٥/١	closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.							
Dispositi	·	<b>,</b> ,	.,,					
· · ·	position of Claims							
-	Claim(s) <u>1-16</u> is/are pending in the application.							
	4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.							
·	✓ Claim(s) 1-14 is/are allowed.							
· ·	Claim(s) <u>15-16</u> is/are rejected.							
-	Claim(s) is/are objected to.							
8)[_]	Claim(s) are subject to restriction and	/or election re	equirement.					
Applicati	on Papers							
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.								
10)	10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.							
	Applicant may not request that any objection to the	ne drawing(s) b	e held in abeyance. See	e 37 CFR 1.85(a).				
	Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).							
11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.								
Priority ι	ınder 35 U.S.C. § 119							
<ul> <li>12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some * c) None of:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.</li> </ul>								
2) 🔲 Notic 3) 🔯 Infori	e of References Cited (PTO-892) e of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) mation Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08) r No(s)/Mail Date 04/07/2009.		4) Interview Summary Paper No(s)/Mail Da 5) Notice of Informal P 6) Other:	ite				

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Response to Amendment

1. This action is responsive to an amendment filed on 05/20/2009. Claims 1-16 are pending.

## Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments filed on 05/20/2009 remarks have been fully considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection which is deemed appropriate to address all of the needs at this time.

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

- 3. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:
  - The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.
- 4. Claims 15 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

It is unclear and confusing as to what is the claimed "an internal current production unit to apply an internal current from a loop voltage generated when the external terminal is in connection with the telephone network <u>to</u> the main terminal" (e.g., see claim 15, lines 4-6).

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According to the original specification, it teaches that an internal current production unit to apply

an internal current from a loop voltage generated when the external terminal is in connection

with the telephone network via the main terminal (see fig.3).

Since claim 16 is dependent claim, this claim is also rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second

paragraph.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 1-14 are allowed.

Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to MD S. ELAHEE whose telephone number is (571)272-7536.

The examiner can normally be reached on Mon to Fri from 9:00am to 5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Fan Tsang can be reached on (571) 272-7547. The fax phone number for the

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